

Gossip of Government Departments

Pension Bureau

UNEXPECTED DEATH
OF HENRY WALTER

The funeral services for Henry Walter, whose sudden and unexpected death has been a shock to his friends, were held at his residence, Adams Mill road, on Wednesday at 1 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Buck, of Rock Creek Church, and the Rev. Mr. Crabtree, assistant minister of St. Margaret's, officiating.

Born in the city of New York in 1836, Mr. Walter came of an old Long Island family that had resided there since 1599. Educated at Columbia College, where his father had been organist for thirty-five years, he came to this city in 1857, and for some years, up to the time of his last sickness, he managed, with great success, the well-known establishment of his brother-in-law, Mr. Schaefer.

Mr. Walter had many accomplishments, was a member of learned societies and an officer of one, and was an ardent member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Confirmed by the Rev. Morgan Dix in Trinity Church, New York, Mr. Walter sang in its choir for years, and since then in many church choirs. He last sang in the choir of St. Margaret's, of which church he was a member.

Major Perley B. Dickerson, formerly of the Western division, died April 20 at his late residence, 515 Seventh street northeast.

Colonel Dickerson was born in Athens county, Ohio. He was one of seven brothers who served in the Union army, having enlisted August 11, 1862, as a private, rising from that rank to captain. He was brevetted major for gallant and distinguished conduct at the battle of Nashville, Tenn., and was discharged January 11, 1866. He entered the Pension Office in 1882, and subsequently became assistant chief of division. He was a brave soldier and a kind and courteous official, respected and beloved by all of his associates.

Dr. Henry E. Ryan, of the Western division, who had been ill for a number of months, died at his home, 207 G street northwest, on Thursday morning last of some lung trouble. Dr. Ryan was a native of Ohio, but removed to Taylorville, Ill., at an early day. He was educated in the public schools of Illinois, was principal of the Dongola, Union county, High School, and of other high schools for a number of years, and was recognized as an educator of ability.

To enable him to secure a medical education he accepted a position in the Pension Bureau in 1890, attended the medical department of Howard University in 1891, and 1892 attended lectures at night, and graduated in 1894. He served as medical examiner in the bureau for a number of years, and was considered a very able and reliable employee.

Dr. Ryan was a member of King David Lodge, No. 27, F. A. and A. M.; Golden Rule Lodge, No. 21, I. O. O. F.; Mt. Nebo Encampment, I. O. O. F., and was also a member of the Knights of Malta.

A wife and two sons survive him.

Notes and Personals.

Mrs. M. A. Custer, of the Western division, is still absent on account of sickness.

I. S. Little, of the Western division, is on annual leave for a few days.

A. M. Sheppard, of the Western division, who has been ill for several months, is still absent, confined to his home and much of the time to his bed.

W. T. Evans, of the Western division, who was hurt by being thrown from a street car last week, is still unable for duty, though somewhat improved.

Col. Thomas W. Dalton, chief of the board of review, is away on sick leave at Atlantic City.

Maj. D. W. Coleman is acting chief of board of review in the absence of Colonel Dalton.

Evander Singletary, of the board of review, has returned to duty from an enforced absence on account of sickness.

Miss Laura R. Mohun, of the board of review, sailed on Friday for New York. Miss Mohun will be abroad about six weeks visiting her brother, Colonel Mohun.

Judge George C. Stewart, of the law division, is away on official business.

Mrs. E. C. Cook, of the certificate division, who has been absent for several weeks in California, has returned, much improved in health.

Mrs. C. L. Moore, of the certificate division, is absent from the office, and is sick.

Miss Mary Ross, of the certificate division, is absent from office on account of sickness in her family.

Howard Fritz, of the certificate division, is absent from office on account of sickness in his family.

Louis Lowe, chief of magistrates and attorneys section, is again on leave for several days.

Walter B. Hartzel, of the western division, who has been working up among the law division, has been returned to his desk in the western.

A. Wenger, of the law division, has been returned to his former work in the eastern division.

W. T. Parker, of the finance division, is still on detail to the law division, but hopes to return to his own desk in a few days.

G. A. Gilliland, chief of the law division, is working up among the "angels," as the dead files are called, on the fourth floor, and is being assisted by E. C. Palmer, who has been recently transferred to the law division.

R. F. Chase, of the Western division, who has been quite ill for some time, is somewhat improved and is at his desk again.

Dr. E. A. Duncan, of the Western division, who suffered a stroke of paralysis some months ago, is still absent, unable for duty.

William Johnson, of the watch force, is on annual leave.

George F. Woodbury, of the Eastern division, who has been ill for a long

Bureau of Engraving
and PrintingRECENT DEATHS
SHOCK EMPLOYEES

The employees of the bureau were shocked to learn on Wednesday morning that James H. Dennean, one of the best known and most popular plate printers employed in the bureau, had been stricken with heart disease as he was preparing to come to the bureau for the day's work, and suddenly expired. Mr. Dennean came here from New York ten or twelve years ago, and was employed in section 6 of the printing division. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Della Dennean. The funeral took place from his late residence, 714 Eighth street northeast yesterday, thence to St. Dominic's Church, where solemn high mass was said at 10 o'clock.

News was also received at the bureau on Wednesday morning of the sudden death, the day before, of Miss Florence Young, an employee of the miscellaneous division. Miss Young died at the residence of her parents, 408 M street southwest, on Tuesday morning. The funeral was held Thursday at 2:30 o'clock, from the Fifth Baptist Church, Six-and-a-half and E streets southwest. Her death was due to acute indigestion. Miss Young had a wide circle of friends in the bureau, who join with her family in mourning for her sudden and untimely demise.

Joseph Hulse, of the printing division, who has been away from the bureau for several days attending the bedside of his wife, who has been seriously ill, has found it necessary to remove her to her home in New York for care and treatment.

William Otto, of the ink room, was on vacation last week.

George Goves is spending ten days at his home in Virginia.

Mr. Shaw, of the examining division, who has been confined to his room by illness for the past two weeks, is reported to be slowly improving.

Miss Poe, of the miscellaneous division, was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Ada Hales, of the examining division, who has been ill at her home in Anacostia for several days suffering with a nervous disorder, is reported to be much improved, and will probably be able to return to the bureau tomorrow.

Friends in the bureau of Miss E. J. Turner, who was employed until recently in the miscellaneous division, have been advised of her marriage recently to George Lamb, a prosperous citizen of London, England.

Mrs. Dessie Griffith Hurt, messenger in section five, returned to the bureau on Monday after having been away for several days on account of the death of her husband, Herbert Marple Hurt, who died on April 7, and was buried in Monocacy Cemetery, Realville, Md., on April 9. Mr. Hurt was ill only about two weeks, during which time his wife was constantly at his bedside administering to his wants. Mrs. Hurt has the sympathy of her many friends in her sad bereavement.

Miss Nina Deahl, of the miscellaneous division, has been at home ill for the past week.

Miss Ethel Daye, of the miscellaneous division, has recently returned to the bureau after an absence incident to her father's death.

Miss May Bailey, of the miscellaneous division, has returned to the bureau after an absence of ten days caused by an attack of tonsillitis.

Miss Lillian Sadler, of the miscellaneous division, surprised her friends by resigning her position a few days ago and announcing that she is to be married on Wednesday of the present week. Miss Sadler was very popular in the bureau, and her many friends wish her a safe voyage on the sea of matrimony.

Miss May McMan, of the miscellaneous division, has been on the sick list for several days.

Lewis Mallet, register clerk, was absent from the bureau last week on account of the illness and death of his father.

Word has been received from New York city announcing the marriage in that city on Friday last of James Crocker, superintendent of the gumming room. As Mr. Crocker has not yet returned, and having failed to take his friends here into his confidence before becoming a benedict, the full particulars of the wedding are not obtainable at this time.

Foreman Jessie Swift, of the printing division, has returned from a week's vacation.

Julian Gray, of the machine division, is confined to his home with a bad case of rheumatism.

Harry Scott, plate printer in section five, is reported to be convalescent after a severe operation performed over a month ago. His friends expect to be able to welcome him back to the bureau soon.

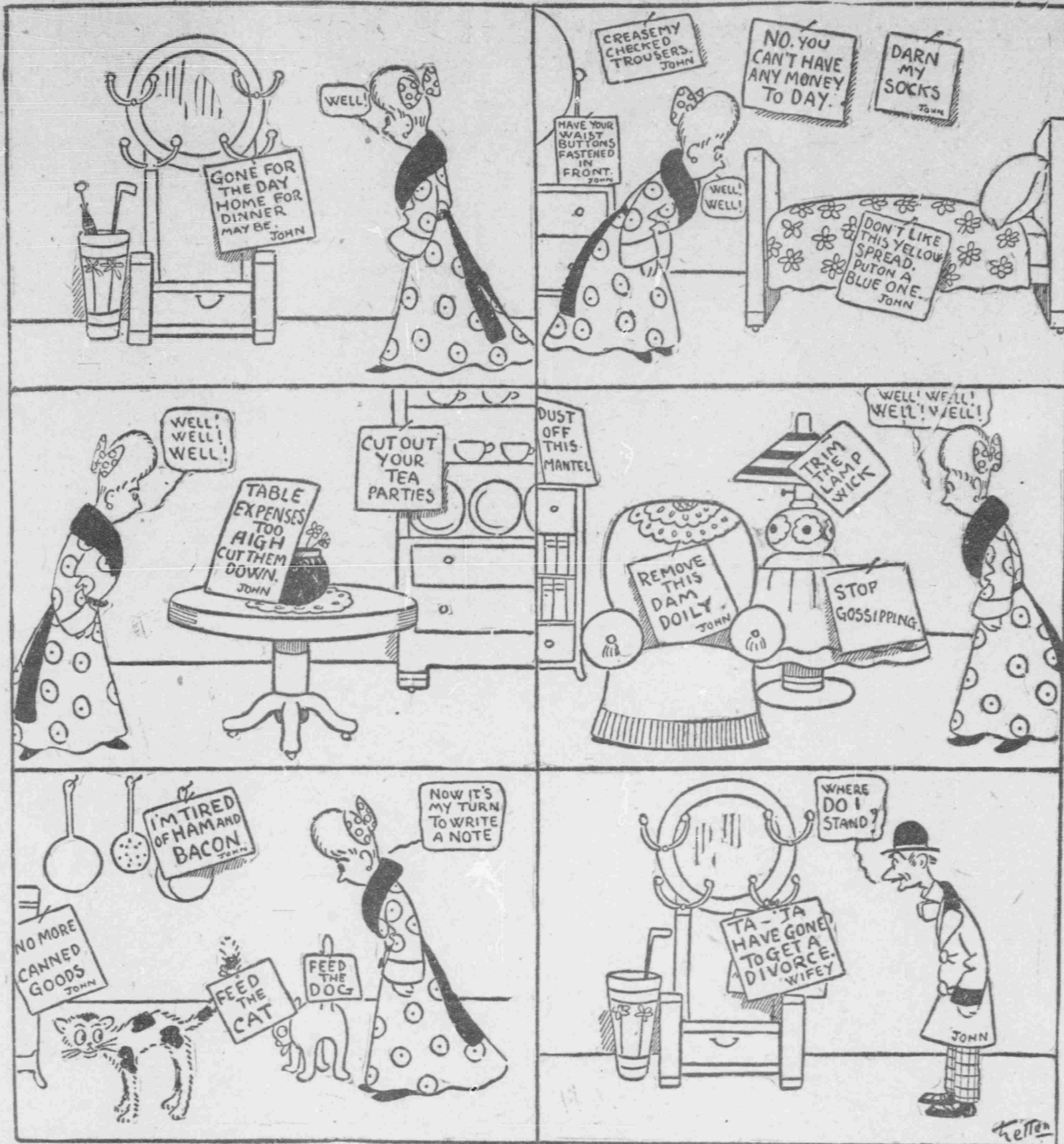
Lewis S. Smith, of the wetting division, has been compelled to go to California for a change of climate in the hope of bettering his health, which has been much impaired of late. Mr. Smith will remain in California for several weeks. He has the best wishes of his many friends for his speedy return to good health.

Miss Harriet Stokney, forewoman of the surface branch, who has been at home ill for several weeks, is not yet able to leave the house.

Gen. D. T. Kirby, formerly of the army division of the Pension Bureau, but who has been out for some time, has been reinstated and transferred to the Interior Department. General Kirby is a veteran of the civil war and a brevet brigadier general of volunteers.

George R. Marble has been placed in charge of the new "magistrates" files of the law division.

John Tries a New Scheme on His Wife. Alas!



—From the New York Evening World.

MATTERS OF INTEREST
TO ALL MUSIC LOVERSJAMESTOWN MUSIC
FOR OPENING DAY

The musical exercises for the opening of the Jamestown Exposition are most elaborate, consisting in the morning at 11 o'clock, of "The Heavens Are Telling," from "Creation," the official opening hymn, composed by Wilberforce G. Ows, of Baltimore, the "Hallelujah Chorus," from the "Messiah," and "America." This program will be rendered by a chorus of 500 voices. Sydney Lloyd Wright, musical director of the exposition, will conduct the opening hymn and the "Hallelujah Chorus," and William Wall Whitlitt, assistant, will conduct "The Heavens Are Telling," and "America." The soloists will be Mrs. Weinschenk, Mr. Wrightson and Homer Moore in "The Heavens Are Telling," and the accompanists will be Arthur E. Mayo, S. Frederick Smith, and William Wall Whitlitt.

In the afternoon a musical program has been arranged for the reception of the President, which will include solos by Mrs. Weinschenk, of Norfolk; Miss Gertrude Reuter, a pupil of Mr. Wrightson; Mr. Wrightson; Mr. Whitlitt, Miss Best, and Mr. Wrightson.

In the evening the Washington Choral Society is expected to give the "Messiah," with a quartet of soloists from New York, excepting the contralto, who will be Miss Clara Drew, of this city, the soprano being Miss Florence Hinkle, of New York, who will sing with the Choral Society here on Wednesday night; George Hamilton, tenor, who will also sing here on Wednesday night, and Whitney Tew, bass, of London.

Special Service of Music
At Emmanuel Church, Anacostia

There will be a special musical service on Sunday evening, April 21, at 7:30 o'clock, by the choir of Emmanuel Church, Anacostia. Solos will be sung by William Scanteburg, basso, and Misses Ruth Dorsey and Mabel Benson, sopranos. The choir recently sang Stainer's "Crucifixion" in a worthy manner. The Easter music was also sung well. The evening service on Easter Sunday was very impressive, the first part being devoted to the children's service and the latter portion to the ceremony of admitting formally into the choir those who have served three months or more at this service. The choir badge is given to each new member.

Gold crosses were presented for faithfulness and proficiency since Easter, 1906, to Walter Tolson, Paul Green, Master Helen Ermd, Miss Grace Watson, Master George Fisher, and Master Willard Wood, in addition to these prizes a handsomely bound hymnal was presented Miss Ruth Dorsey and one also to Master J. Franklin Hagan for exceptional records. Miss Dorsey has been present at every service for two years. Master Hagan has been absent eight times only during that period.

They won the crosses in 1906. The organist and choirmaster is Willford Witta. The choir boys of Emmanuel Church, Anacostia, enjoyed an outing and a baseball game on Saturday last in the vicinity of Chain bridge and after romping about the surrounding country for several hours returned home tired and happy.

The little fellows are faithful to their work and the choirmaster arranges these trips often throughout the early summer.

The boys were accompanied by the junior choir boys of St. Paul's Church, Twenty-third street northwest.

Final Concert of Season
By Washington Choral Society

Washington has never had a better offering than the program of the Washington Choral Society's final concert of the season, which will be given at D. A. R. Memorial Continental Hall Wednesday evening April 24.

George Hamilton, sometimes called the best tenor in America; Florence Hinkle, a soprano already a favorite in this city, and a quartet of young Washington singers. Miss Gertrude Reuter, Miss Anna Manning, Richard T. Backing, and M. T. Legg will do the solo work, which is demanded by the numbers to be sung. Mendelssohn's entire "Hymn of Praise," "The Heavens Are Telling," and "Hallelujah Chorus" will be given, and, as a special concession from the board of governors of the Jamestown Exposition, the opening hymn will be sung as at a first public rehearsal.

Mr. Hamilton, the quality of whose voice requires no praise, in addition to his solo work in the "Hymn of Praise," will sing here on Wednesday night, and Whitney Tew, bass, of London.

Program for Next Concert
By the Rebew Orchestra

The Rebew Orchestra will give their sixth annual concert in Ode Hall, Wednesday evening, with the following program:

Overture, "Black Queen" (White), orchestra. Soprano solo, "Il Ballo" (Arducci), Mrs. Edith D. Bayly. Waltz "Capitol Hill" (first time) (Wrightman), orchestra. Contralto solo (a) "Still we die" (Bohm), (b) "The Sweetest Flower That Blooms" (Hawley), Mrs. D. Olin Leach. (a) "Celebrated Minuet" (Bocherini), (b) March, "Lights Out" (McCoy), orchestra. First symphony (first movement only) (Beethoven), orchestra; piano, W. J. Weber. Tenor solo, "Barque of Dreams" (Grey), Thomas L. Jones. French horn and flute duet, "Serenade" (Rit), Otto C. Hauschild and M. K. Peck. Baritone solo, "The Bandolero" (Stuart), H. H. Campbell. Selection, "Bohemian Girl" (Bale), orchestra. Accompanist, Mrs. Thomas L. Jones.

Cast of Characters Named

For "Queen Esther" Production

The cast for Queen Esther, to be given next Friday evening by the choir of Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, in that church, is as follows:

Esther, the Queen, Miss Eva Whitford; Ahasuerus, the King, W. Arthur Storm; Haman, the King's Councillor, Roy Birch; Mordecai, a Jew, W. O. Glover; Tazirish, Haman's Wife, Mrs. J. A. Houghton; Mordecai's Sister, Miss Besse Birch; Phophetess, Mrs. Houghton; a Persian Princess, Mrs. M. Raub; Scribe, Oscar Gardner; Bazar, H. H. Middleton; Hegai, John Waters; High Priest, Newton Middleton; Herald, M. Raub; Harbonah, Birch. There will be a chorus of sixty voices.

Palace Guard" (Niedlinger), Master Quentin Roosevelt; Sonatine (Clementi), Miss Marion Stone; Elude, "The Ghost" (Schytte), Waltz, for left hand alone (Gerrit-Smith), Miss Dorothy Hayden; "A Sketch" (Arthur Birch), "Farewell to Piano" (Beethoven), "San Souci" (Wilson G. Smith), Miss Elizabeth Arnes; "Boheme" (Rubinstein), "Mazurka" (Leachetizke), Miss Deborah Exel; Prelude (Rachmanninoff), Au Martin (Godard), Miss Katherine Poole.

Organ Fund Entertainment
By St. Andrew Brotherhood

An entertainment was given last Thursday night by Junior Chapter Brotherhood of St. Andrew, at St. Thomas' Parish Hall for the organ fund. Miss Newcome, of Rockville, Md., sang a group of songs; Miss Elizabeth Wilbur, violinist, played "The Angel's Serenade," accompanied by Miss Lydia Hughes; W. Gray Hawley gave a piano recital; Messrs. Tompkins and Gibson were heard in vanderweide and songs; a sketch entitled, "Pistols for Two," was given by Miss Marcella Smith, Mr. Crenshaw, Jr., Mr. Griffith, and Horace K. Dugdale, and an original monologue by H. K. Dugdale was given.

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The director and manager is W. T. Glover, assisted by Mrs. Birch, organist. The costumes are all bright and pretty, and the scenery was especially made.

Musical Notes of Interest
To the People of Washington

Mrs. Betts and Mrs. Jennings will combine for their April advanced pupils' recital on Wednesday, the 24th, in the Washington Club. In June they will give one on Capitol Hill, in which the less experienced pupils will furnish the program.

The evening with the choir last Sunday in the Eastern Presbyterian Church was a delightful affair, although Miss Quicke, contralto, had a cold, which was noticeable in her singing. These choir nights will be repeated each month on the second Sunday. For May 12 the psalm "As the Heart Pants," by Mendelssohn, will be the principal feature. The new organ is a great addition to the music of the church.

Miss Marie C. Hansen, a sister of the young soprano in the Eastern Presbyterian choir, will make her debut as a pianist at Mrs. Betts' recital on Wednesday of this week at the Washington Club.

S. Frederick Smith will give the first organ recital on the new Carnegie instrument in the Eastern Presbyterian Church on May 1 at 8 o'clock. Miss Hansen and Mr. Schaefer will assist.

Edwin Hughes, who is going abroad in a few weeks for an indefinite time to pursue his studies in music, will be heard in a piano recital in the Washington Club on May 7. He will be assisted by Miss Franceska Kaspar, soprano, who is now on a concert tour in the middle West.

Herndon Morsell will give an informal program at Unitarian Church Thursday evening with his pupils.

At the monthly affair to be given by the Y. M. C. A. next Wednesday evening the program will include Miss Lena Woodruff, soprano; Miss Lydia Hughes, contralto; and Miss Florence King, pianist, assisted by Miss Florence Little, elocutionist.

Halstead Hoover and W. Gray Hawley will give a song and piano recital on the morning of Monday, April 22, at the Central High School.

S. Frederick Smith conducted the musical for the Choral Society last Monday night in place of Mr. Wrightson, who was in New York.

Anton Kaspar, the well-known violinist of Washington, was soloist at the National Cathedral School last night when the girls gave an evening of tableaux.

Miss Alma Ebert will give a students' recital at her residence, 808 Nineteenth street, on Friday evening. She will be assisted by her sister, Mrs. William T. Reed, contralto; Miss Minna Holtrichs, violinist; and Miss Lena Sutton. Among those who will participate are the Misses Vivian Peavey, Christine Brecht, Isabelle Lucy, Edith Kolb, Mabel Johnston, Grace Johnston, Carlotta Quirillo, Frances Meany, Catherine Burritt, Elizabeth Reynolds, Edna Maedel, and Helen Demont.

New York Society Folk
Departing for Europe

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place on the cliffs. Mrs. "Jack" Livermore is the new owner of "Inchiquin," which has been presented to her by her mother-in-law, Baroness Selliere. The young Richard T. Wilsons will occupy the George Henry Warren villa on Narragansett avenue. But it is doubtful whether the extensive alterations now in progress at "Friedheim," sold by Mrs. Theodore A. Havemeyer to the Pembroke Joneses, will be completed in time to enable them to occupy it this summer. The place is being remodeled and changed almost beyond recognition, and among the most notable additions will be an extremely spacious dining room and also a big ballroom.

Alterations at Belmont Place.

Yet another change at Newport is that to which "Belcourt" is being subjected by the "Ollie" Belmonts, who have spent, it is said, nearly \$50,000 on the alterations of their place. It may be remembered that the house was originally destined for a stable of the palatial order so dear to our multi-millionaires. Subsequently it was changed into a combination stable and villa, and now the stable element has been eliminated altogether, and the huge coach house has been transformed into a grand salon 90 feet in breadth and 70 feet in length, decorated, furnished and tapestried according to the style of Louis XV, the walls being covered with superb hangings. This changing from the coach house into a salon has, of course, rendered superfluous the eastern driveway, which has now been laid out as a lawn with shrubs and flowerbeds.

"Silent" Smith's Horse.

Among the arrivals this week from Europe will be that of Mrs. Anthony Drexel, whose plans for the debut of her pretty and accomplished daughter in London this summer have been disturbed by the recent death of her brother-in-law, James Henry Smith, in Japan last month. While nothing definite can be stated as yet with regard to Mrs. James Henry Smith's plans for the future, there are persistent rumors current to the effect that she will sell the house on Fifth avenue which was to have been her New York home. Should it come once more into the market it may have difficulty in finding another purchaser, as there are many who look upon it as unlucky, owing to the fact that its two successive owners were overtaken by startlingly sudden deaths after the briefest possible enjoyment of its occupancy, while Stanford White, its designer and creator, was killed by Harry Thaw.

Naval Militia Annual Dance.

Notable among the entertainments of the week opening today will be the Naval Militia annual dance on board the United States warship Granite on Wednesday next, and providing the weather is fine, it bids fair to prove a most successful function. The uniforms of the naval and military men present and the marine character of the surroundings will render the scene extremely picturesque, and judging by previous affairs of the same kind given by the naval militia, it will be characterized by much more go and animation than balls on shore. There are few girls who do not find more enjoyment in dancing on the deck of a ship to dancing on the floor of the ballroom of even the most fashionable of restaurants. Mrs. Stephen H. P. Bell, Mrs. Richard K. Schuyler, Mrs. William B. Franklin, and Mrs. Henry H. Forbes are the patronesses who will do the honors of the dance and receive the guests.

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